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Get Ready For The Quarterlife Crisis



Think you're having fun now? Just wait until the quarterlife crisis
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Ericka Elizabeth Austin

You've had 'years of partying all weekend long. You have sacrificed by living off of cafeteria food or even worse: countless tuna sandwiches and ramen noodles. You had to get by working jobs as a babysitter, waiter, telemarketer or the infamous Gap jean specialist. Now that you have completed about 125 credit hours of classes what do you do next? Are you prepared to live in an environment where everyone isn't your age? Do you think you'll be able to afford a decent place to live, a nice car, basic necessities

and still have pocket money? You were advised that if you worked and studied hard the sky would be the limit. Your expectations were high and rightly so, but what will happen to all those dreams and plans? Will you be the person that you wanted to be by the time you graduate college...or are you setting your-

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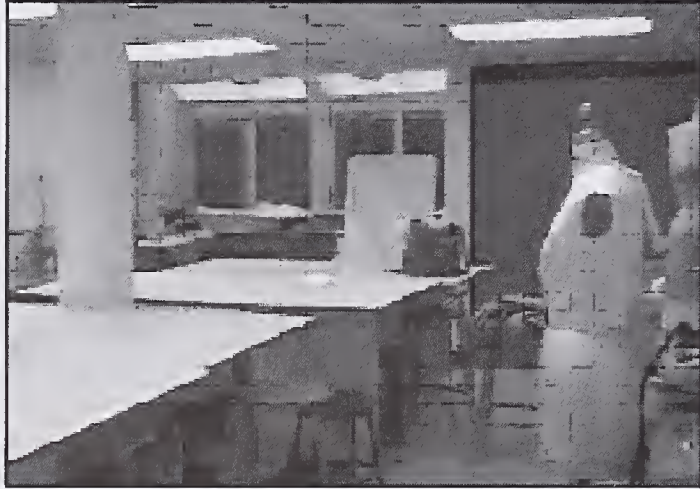
self up for the quarter life crisis????? Being in your 20's these days is a burden and more confusing than ever before. There are so many choices, an abundance of opportunities and so much freedom. And of course there's so much pressure to do all of it and to have it all.

There is a new phase of life, coined "the quarter-life" which, like adolescence and

midlife, has its own set of challenges and characteristics. People are getting married later and having more short-lived careers than ever before. They are in debt longer, and sometimes in school longer. It's taking more time than ever today because of college loans, debt, competition for jobs, more people living at home with their parents, people taking longer than ever to get married and a host of other issues in today's society.

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Sheer style down the catwalk



Jennifer Knapp

Get ready for the start of the spring student fashion shows! The undergraduate runway performances will take place Friday night



April 25th, 2005 beginning at 7:30 PM. On the following night, the seniors will light up the runway beginning at 7:30 PM.

Both shows

will take place in the Athletic Center this year.

The theme and title for the undergraduate runway show this year is "Sheer Movement." The event will have free standing lighted sculptures inspired by the Sydney Opera House in Australia. The fabric sculptures are created and produced by Professor Peter Watson and his Interior Design and Display class and will be lit from within by magnificent colored lights. Yards and yards of muslin fabric will "transform [the interior] of the Athletic

Center" says Director of the undergraduate runway show, Professor Anne Vallely.

"Sheer Movement" will highlight apparel and accessory designs from Lasell undergraduates. You'll see creative designs in diverse categories like children's wear, ethnic dress, non-textiles and more. Approximately 60 student models will parade down the catwalk in the undergraduate designs.

The senior runway show managed by Professor Joan Morris is called "Senior Collections." There will be models strutting down the runway displaying the clothing collections of twenty senior fashion design majors. The show will begin with a puppy surprise! Fashion designer Megan Ryan Dupuis' collection will feature plus-size bridal wear including matching doggie apparel. An elegant hand-painted bridal collection by Ginnie Chow is the grand finale for this runway extravaganza. Tickets will be on sale for "Sheer Movement" and "Senior Collections" beginning April 8th. The Athletic Center's grand space will allow for more seating at each show. Five hundred tickets will be available for each event through Richard

Fashion Show

Classes of 2006, 2007, 2008 Sheer Movement

Date: 4/29/2005

Time: 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Place: Athletic Center

Tickets: \$20.00 (students and seniors \$10.00)

Class of 2005 Senior Collection

Date: 4/30/2005

Time: 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Place: Athletic Center

Tickets: \$20.00 (students and seniors \$10.00)



Bath and at the ticket booth in Valentine Hall outside the Lasell Radio Station. Two types of seating tickets are available for purchase. Forty "prestige seats" are offered at the end of the runway for \$50 per person. Regular seats along the runway are \$20 per person and \$10 for Lasell students. Get your tickets now before they're sold out!

Teacher Spotlight

Professor Aieta

Marisa Curtis As I



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down and made my course schedule last fall I was not very intrigued by some of the classes I would have to take for my major. I would have to take a Philosophy course, which did not appeal to me in the least bit, but I chose to take Ethics with Professor Joseph Aieta. I had heard the name before, but I didn't know much about this professor. I started to ask some of my friends, who had taken him in previous semesters, about him. "Is Aieta hard?" No one actually answered my question. The only answers I got was, "He's a great teacher." I decided to take the class, without really knowing what I was in for.

Spring approached fast, and I can remember the first day of Ethics class well. I walked Professor Aieta, scoping around the room looking for people he knew. He made some small chit chat then started class. He seemed like a very nice, light-hearted man. As he began class he went over the usual first day information, but would periodically stop and ask the class, "Is anyone hallucinating?" "Hallucinating?"

"This guy must be nuts", I said to myself. Little did I know he would end up being the sanest teacher I would ever have, whatever that meant.

As the semester went on our class was assigned to read numerous books, and we would have discussions in class about what we read. Sounds like any other class, but for me it was like no other class I had ever taken. In class I never felt like I was a student being spoon fed information. I felt like I was an adult having a conversation with another adult. Professor Aieta never talked to you in a demeaning way that made you feel bad about yourself. He talked to you as though you were an individual engaged in a discussion with him. Your opinions always mattered, even if he didn't agree with them. He always challenged your ideas to make you think deeper about the subject. He often joked in class with us, but always made sure you knew he was kidding. He never wanted anyone to feel undermined or disrespected. I truly believe he respects every student he has for who they are.

Professor Aieta is a very understanding person. He's not the type of teacher who's going to chase you around for your work. He knows that you know what he expects and it's your choice what your grade in his

class is. It's hard to catch a teacher on a good day, every day. Some people go to work because they need to, not because they like their job. Professor Aieta comes to class every day knowing he is doing something he loves. He has made Ethics class enjoyable for me. I know when I show up to class I am in for something interesting. I also know it's okay for me to disagree with him. I can express myself in class without feeling dense or erroneous. Professor Aieta is always up for a good debate with a student. It is rare that I have been in a classroom where I feel like an equal with the professor, and where my work and what I say are being fully appreciated and intently listened to.

I could go on and gush more about Professor Aieta as a person and better yet as a teacher, but if you're lucky enough at some point in your four years at Lasell, you will get to experience it all on your own.

Don't Forget:

Check out this year's symposium week!

Yamawaki Center Has 100 Years Of Weddings Exhibit
And The Second Annual Lasell Arts Festival

Check Out The Presentations And Conference Sessions

For The Complete List Of Activities, Plus Dates And
Times, Go To my.lasell.edu And Click On The Link For
The 2005 Symposium Schedule!

Over 21 and in the mood for some drinks?

If you are looking for a night out that won't break the bank, stop on by the "**Happy Hour**" spot, the place to go when you want to keep the cash-flow (not the beer-flow) to a minimum. Also try, the **Pour House**, located at 909 Boylston Street. Popular with the college kids, crowds flock here from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. for cheap eats and 22oz. mugs of Pabst Blue Ribbon. If you're longing to be on someone's VIP list, our "Trendsetter" spot is the pick for you. Nestled in the basement of the Copley Square Hotel at 47 Huntington Avenue is **Saint** - a transplant of a hipster-lounge right out of LA's Sunset Strip.

- Kimberly Jordan

To print or not to print...



My Opinion: Parking - Is it fair?

Allison Schiffman

I know that I am only one side to this article. I just wanted to point out that parking for commuters is appalling. I know that commuters are only allowed to park in the Central Lot, but so are resident students who have cars on campus.

As a commuting student I know that when I am driving through Central, I probably circle it twice before finding a spot. This makes me late for classes. I feel as though there should be reserved or designated spots for commuting students. I understand that resident students are allowed to have cars on campus and that's fine, but I think that they should definitely have assigned spots as well where they can park their cars.

I know that I might seem biased and I am only one side to this article but I think its only fair for commuting students to be able to park in Central without having to drive around trying to find a parking spot for ten or fifteen minutes. It's just very frustrating after a while when every day you pull into Central and you are waiting for someone to walk to their car so you can follow them and take their spot.

Another point I would like to mention has to deal with all of my peers who have cars. If you have class in Winslow and the sticker on your car only lets you park in Central you have to walk to the other side of campus.

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Courtney

Disnmore

It's coming to the end of the spring semester and the hectic workload is at its peak. Most of us are juggling last minute assignments that happen to be due all in the same week and finally get to the library at 10pm to tackle the research at hand. Just think: you're finally on a roll when suddenly the clock strikes 10:55pm and the librarian approaches you in the midst of making the "we're closed" rounds and you need more time. I don't know about you, but I know that this has happened to me multiple times since I have been at Lasell. It would take a lot of stress off of many students if library hours were extended because our lives are so hectic that we can't always get to the library as early as 8:00pm; we depend on the library for research materials and as well as printing source, as not all students have a printer.

First of all, a major problem is that student life consists of juggling work,

school, and pastime activities and most of the time studying for that exam or researching for that paper cannot happen until the evening after classes and work. Secondly, the library has certain texts that cannot be accessed anywhere else on campus. So if we need certain reference books such as encyclopedias or documents, then work gets pushed aside. To continue, there are students on this campus who don't have a printer. Now I understand that it is not the library's responsibility to provide us with a printer, but we pay for printing on this campus, which was just implemented this year. So I think that it is feasible to be able to print whenever we need to.

Today when I sat down with Allyson Gray, Library Director, I presented my opinion that the library should extend their hours. Allyson informed me about why library hours have remained the same. She explained that first of all, she always likes to take the student's needs

into consideration and about five years ago she did just that by extending library hours from 10 pm to 11pm. Allyson knows that extending library hours is an issue here on campus, however, she has found continuously that when it approaches 10pm at night the library is sparse with only a mere 5 students present. So she wonders if students really need these hours increased. As a result, she doesn't find it feasible to extend hours and hire more staff if no students are going to be there. The good news is that during finals week the library and the computer lab is open until midnight, so I urge you all to take advantage of that extended time period. At least we know that if there are enough students that show that they would prefer the library to be open later by being there, then we can be confident that our librarians will then take staying open later into consideration.

In My Opinion: 21+ Drinking On Campus

Miguel Lopez

Lasell College has made many changes since it was first opened. Lasell has done very well with the changes it has made so far, but I think there is one change that has to be made to benefit the students. One of the suites should be only for 21 year-old students, or a pub should be opened where people of age can go and have a few drinks without having to worry about being charged with supplying an under age drinker or getting a fine for having an open container around someone that is not of age.

Lasell has a policy that if you are 21 years old you are not allowed any alcohol in the room if you have a roommate that is not of age. If you are 21 and your roommate is found with alcohol and you're not even anywhere near the room you will be charged with supply-

ing alcohol. If you are 21 and at a party where people under 21 are drinking you will get written up for supplying them even if there is no relation between the 21 year-old and the underage drinkers.

By turning one of the suites into a 21+ only dorm, underaged

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drinking could be limited and the police would not have to harass the 21 year-olds as much. To limit the underage drinking in these suites they could have a cop ID at the door to make sure whomever is going in the building is 21+. This change would make it less stressful for 21 year-olds to drink.

Opening a pub or nightclub would be the

ideal situation because most students who are 21 do like to leave campus because of the trouble that goes on with drinking at the school. Lasell could make tons of cash by opening up a pub or a nightclub on campus. I believe many students would agree that a night club would be a major plus for the

school. It will also decrease drunk driving among the student population, as well as providing a safer, more contained environment where students could spend their nights.

Quarterlife

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So, as you take your final exams and say farewell to "Thirsty Thursdays", good-bye to work study programs, and au revoir to dormitories say hello to the real world. The weekdays will be filled with traffic mayhem. You will often be too tired to drag yourself to the gym in search of the perfect body. Your weekend will be filled to capacity from trying to catch up with friends and do everything you were either too busy or too tired for during the week. And your bank account may go in the red from time to time, and the list goes on and on and on.

The early to late 20s represents a time of extreme instability. Your 20s are also a trying time. Newly casted adults can experience disappointments and temptations and turn them into crises - just like people entering middle age.

Parking

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I feel as though as a commuter (or a student who has a car) that we should be able to park close to where our classes are being held. Walking across campus also makes us all late for our classes and we get penalized for this, which isn't fair to us students.

I think the future students of Lasell College should take a stand against parking and hopefully the appropriate people will hear your voices. Even though we don't have the authority to let anything happen about parking, it affects us as present and future students of the college. The administration need to hear what we have to say about parking and know that there is a concrete issue within Lasell College that we are unhappy about.

Boston's Top 10

Nicole Steel

Before all of you Seniors leave Beantown, make sure you make the most of what the city has to offer! While I'm sure most of you have hit up Lansdown Street more times than you can remember, try out some of Boston's daytime activities if you haven't already. So here they are, my top 10 picks:

- 1) Catch a Red Sox game at Fenway Park.
- 2) Hop on the Boston Duck Tour to learn about the city's biggest attractions, including the State House, Bunker Hill, Copley Square, the Big Dig, and the Prudential Tower, making sure to hold on tight as your duck splashes right into the Charles River for a spectacular view of the Boston and Cambridge skylines.
- 3) If you're up for a walk, make the two-and-a-half mile journey along the Freedom Trail and check out Boston's revolutionary landmarks.
- 4) Explore the Boston Common and the Boston Public Garden, and seeing as spring is in the air, hitch a ride on the Swan Boats.
- 5) Take a stroll along the Charles River... "I love that dirty water..."
- 6) Shop and dine at Faneuil Hall Marketplace.
- 7) See what cool things the Museum of Fine Arts, New England's largest art museum, has on display.
- 8) Sit back and enjoy a planetarium laser show at the Museum of Science, watch a movie at its IMAX theater, or view some of its 400+ exhibits.
- 9) Go see the penguins and sea lions play at the New England Aquarium.
- 10) Last but not least, do some serious shopping on Newbury Street, or if shopping isn't for you, throw back a beer or two at The Bull & Finch Pub, inspiration to the hit TV series "Cheers."



With all the stress of work, finals, and graduation wearing you down, take some time to relax and enjoy The Hub's many attractions.

Read A While With Kyle...

Kyle Ganley

Well I suppose to start off my first column in the Lasell Beat I should start by writing a disclaimer. It goes something like this, (the views expressed in this article are not shared by Lasell College, any of its students, and maybe no one at all who lives on this planet.) With that said, let's get started.

I have noticed recently that the weather has been getting nicer out, and I am now seeing Lasell - ites outside enjoying this long awaited warmth. I have also noticed you seem to be going about it the wrong way. 'The wrong way?!' You are thinking, yes, it is true, but don't worry; my survival guide on how to go about it the right way will possibly save you from long, terrible, relaxing days. For starters, when one wakes up, and it appears to be looking like a nice day out, the first step should be to hop in the shower. Now I can't make you do this, but put the water on as hot as it can go; so for any of you who live on campus that means you might get the temperature up to a little bit above freezing. While enjoying this shower one should grab a cold beverage to drink in it. Any will do, but in my opinion a certain one made out in Colorado should work.

Now you are out of the shower... what to wear? Go with a pair of long johns, and then build layers from there. I know it sounds crazy, but we live in New England; so chances are even if it looks like a nice day, more than likely we will get 12 to 16 inches of snow. The next move after getting dressed is to make the decision to miss a few of your classes, I wish I could say that after the foot-and-a-half of snow classes will be canceled, but you know as well as I do; that unless there is a state of emergency for Boston then, and only then, do we get the two hour delay (which means if you have a

9:30 still go to it at 10:00 some people, and I don't know why, seem to think that in 15 minutes of class they have left they can't learn anything).

So now that you have the day off, walk a mile to your car which probably has a new scratch on it from the excellent drivers we have here at the college. Call your friends if they are not too sleepy from "studying" too hard the night before, and go to the beach. Once at the beach commence on enjoying a gorgeous day of getting tan, playing some wiffle ball, and barbequing with some freshly made beverages.

Now for my ending advice; do not come back to school. You see by missing class, and by applying Murphy's Law, the one day you skipped, attendance was taken in all your classes, and you are now going to fail; so take the semester off, and get a job.

That's all there is to it, I hope you take this advice, and have a good time with it. By the way, if you can't get to the beach then buy a roll of duct tape. Too many ideas of what you can do with it to write here, but basically it's the stuff dreams are made of.

Need to get away? GO in to town.

Newbury Street

Home to art galleries, designer boutiques, outdoor cafes and restaurants (plus a Starbucks and a few ice cream shops), Newbury Street is one of the hubs of activity and life in the city.

The Public Garden

The Public Garden is on the edge of Back Bay, and it's an oasis of green in the city. It's also home to the famous Swan Boats that ferry people around the Public Garden Lagoon. Open from April - September, the Swan Boats are bicycle-powered and are open seven days a week.

Kenmore square

Sandwiched between Boston University, Fenway Park and the Back Bay, Kenmore Square is full of activity. Plus new upscale stores and restaurants have moved in.

Boston's Back Bay

Boston's Back Bay is also filled with history and distinctive architecture with modern-day sophistication and commerce to create a vibrant and exciting neighborhood. Beautiful homes grace residential streets, while modern boutiques and fashionable restaurants line Newbury Street and Boylston Street, both of which run the length of Back Bay. Keep in mind in the 1900's this was built literally from the ground up.

- Kimberly Jordan

P.S. I am happy to see the paper back at Lasell hope to see it stay this time.

Greg Walker, The Man, The Myth, The Legend

Anwar Hunte

Growing up in Pompano Beach, Florida, has given this Lasell College senior the tools to survive. Pompano has given him the knowledge of street savvy, the knowledge of how to be "proper" and when to be "hood", and also the ability to adapt to any situation. Gregory Walker came to Lasell College as a virtual unknown. Through the sport of basketball he was able to get some notoriety. He came in as a freshman and started for the college he really didn't know anything about. He was to produce what they needed at the time. The 19-year-old Walker was able to provide the Lasers with scoring, defense, and potential.

His achievements on the court gave him the title of Team Captain three out of the four years he was on the squad. His fourth year was ended when he suffered a season-ending knee injury during the summer going into that season. He rehabilitated, and came back strong his senior season. He averages 17 points per game, recorded his 1,000th point, and was a part of the NAC All-Conference First Team. His achievements went beyond the court and crossed over into the classroom. He has been a constant Dean's List member and earlier this month he was able to take home an award for Male Student-Athlete Leader of the Year, given to the student-athlete who has shown the most promise on and off the

playing field in a leadership role. Greg Walker has also given up his time to help programs like America Reads, several Red Cross blood drives, and was an active participant in the Lasell Votes campaign during the election. Mr. Walker has done a lot at Lasell College and deserves to be portrayed as what he is; a college graduate.

Walker reflects on his time at Lasell, "I have met some great people at Lasell, but I have also met some deceiving people, but on an overall basis, I have enjoyed my time at this school. I have some memories that will last a lifetime. Yeah Boy!!!"



Upcoming Sprorts Games

Men's Lacrosse

4/30 @ Norwich University 2:00 PM

5/3 Pilgrim League Semi - Finals

5/7 Pilgrim League Finals

Women's Lacrosse

5/4 NEWLA Semi - Finals

5/7 NEWLA Finals

Softball

4/29 NAC Semi - Finals

4/30 NAC Finals

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